

**Memorandum on Assignment of Functions Under Section 1265 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181)**

*October 31, 2008*

*Memorandum for the Secretary of State*

*Subject: Assignment of Functions Under Section 1265 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181)*

By virtue of the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including section 301 of title 3, United States Code, I hereby assign to you the reporting function conferred upon the President by section 1265 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Public Law 110–181).

You are authorized and directed to publish this memorandum in the *Federal Register*.

**George W. Bush**

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**Digest of Other White House Announcements**

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The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

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**October 25**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

**October 27**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President declared a major disaster in Florida and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Gustav from August 31 to September 7.

**October 28**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, at Republican Na-

tional Committee headquarters, he met with staff members.

**October 29**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

During the day, the President was briefed by National Security Adviser Stephen J. Hadley on the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The White House announced that the President will participate in the United Nations meeting on interfaith dialog on November 13 in New York City, NY.

The President declared a major disaster in the Territory of the U.S. Virgin Islands and ordered Federal aid to supplement Territory recovery efforts in the area struck by Hurricane Omar from October 14–16.

**October 30**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. He was then briefed by National Security Adviser Stephen J. Hadley on the situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Later, he traveled to Quantico, VA.

Later in the morning, at Marine Corps Air Facility Quantico, the President visited Marine Helicopter Squadron One hangar, where he met with service members and thanked them for their service.

In the afternoon, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to appoint Rachmiel Liberman, Harley Lippman, and Jonathan J. Rikoon as members of the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad.

The President announced that he has designated Daniel Rosenblum as Support for East European Democracy (SEED) Program Coordinator and Coordinator for Overall Assistance and Economic Cooperation Strategy for the Independent States of the former Soviet Union at the Department of State.

**October 31**

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Camp David, MD.